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LI FEAT / LIERODE

50-6-32/6 (ENTIRE FILE)
Q 2/21/59 - 12/16/64

QT HMMA-22433, 11/7/63

VLS-2

① attachment

QT MEXI 9940 6/19/64
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From Chief / Station

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Nov. 7, 1963

1. The VLS-2 Trigger Device, installed at the SIERADE basehouse to cover the Consulate entrance, is performing well with little false triggering. The 500mm. lens on the VLS-2 had to be replaced by the 6 inch lens for wider target coverage.

During the first two weeks of operation, the VLS-2 would trigger traffic entering + leaving the target entrance. Concerned with the consumption of film and the necessity of reloading the camera twice daily, S-22 devised a system whereby the VLS-2 would only photograph people leaving but not entering the building. S-22's system works about 80% of the time, cutting film consumption considerably. S-22 had been focusing the VLS-2 on the white framed glass door so that when targets entered or departed they near the targets would cross this frame + trigger the device. [See Enclosure A for VLS-2 area coverage.] Since one side of the door was not closed + targets could walk into this office, the VLS-2 was focused on the shade area of this entrance instead of the door. It was found that since Mexicans generally wear dark colored clothing + have black hair, they can pass into the office without triggering the VLS-2. When a person leaves by this entrance, the man's shirt or face will trigger the device photographing a front or side view depending on how the subject leaves the entrance. This system does not work when a person enters the building in light clothing.

Buster —

Mexi 9940

C. pulled

1) All available negatives under camera coverage Column
Consulate does follow under T.M. Number 252572

2) Five phys film marked E not at dark with report not
developed.

3) Report delay occasioned by consolidation & delay

LI FEAT - used to identify Station's ~~unclassified~~ telephone taps

LI R.O.D.E. - assigned Feb 21, 1959, to identify the Station's ~~unclassified~~ telephone taps of Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. [See MEXN 3382, 2/21/1959] * get it

See below
M.K. TRAP - technical nomenclature of a ~~hot wire~~ telephone A/S installation. Details of the system are contained in [HMMMA 20307] * get it

LI COOL-11

~~unclassified~~ ~~messages~~

[most of these began 18 May 1959 according to MEXN 3834. Ceased functioning late 1960.]

P.O. EMPULSE

~~hot wire~~ telephone

activation of LI FEAT / LI R.O.D.E. HMMMA 12358 [x get it]

M.K. TRAP though moved from room to room, remained in place within the target area, though inactive most of the time. During November 1963 M.K. TRAP was reactivated from a second defect because known as Baseline Charlie.

- Designed to take place of LI COOL-11. M.K. TRAP designed + constructed 2-3 / 62. installed + tested 3-4 / 62.

installed 4/16/62

11. Became known as LI FEAT / LI OMEN

LIFEAT / LIOMEN

SO-6-32 / 7

(Entire 7/c)

Unilateral taps

April 62

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Dec-3, 1963

[missing]

Frank Muelford
reports on Tech
Activity thru Mar
1964.

The initial effort circa 1958 against the
Claus + their Embassy was a ~~hot-mike~~ telephone (PBIMPULSE)
It was introduced into the Embassy using LIFEAT assets
and was actuated from the LIFEAT-VI basehouse.

From 1960-1961, eight ~~microphones/transmitters~~ installations
were made in the same target. These were called
installations. One or two were placed in the senior officer's
office at various times during this period. These installations
were monitored from a truck, an apartment - BASEHOUSE AB/G -
and later a second, closer apartment - BASEHOUSE BAKER BASEHOUSE
BAKER was always referred to as the LIFEAT base.

The last ~~microphone/transmitter~~ installation ceased
functioning during late 1961 and at that time work started
on a new installation called LIFEAT/MKTRAP because the
MKTRAP technique (~~hot-mike~~ phones) was used.

The Lifeat/MKTRAP installation was made using
LIFEAT assets and was actuated from the LIFEAT-VI Base
during March 1962.

At some time during the period 1962-1963 photo
operations were put into effect using Basehouse Baker.

During November 1963, the Lifeat/MKTRAP installation
was reactuated from a second LIFEAT Basehouse.

What occurred in between

Thus as of 1958

1. PBIMPULSE (~~hot-mike~~ telephone) LIFEAT-VI
2. ~~Mike/transmitter~~ installations 8 each Basehouse A+B LIFEAT
3. MKTRAP (~~hot-mike~~ telephone) - 1st trucks + 750 LIFEAT-VI + Basehouse R [LIFEAT-?] 1st trucks + 750
4. Photo operations Basehouse B [LIFEAT]